

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Confirmation No. 6344

Yoshio YANASE et al.

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Group Art Unit 2877

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Examiner Sang H. Nguyen

METHOD FOR INSPECTING SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER SURFACE

2877

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Response to the Office Action mailed June 3, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows: